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Responses are keyed to reftel para 8 questions.

-- The government of Oman does not require participation in or cooperation with the Arab League or other international boycotts.

-- Suppliers, vendors, service suppliers, etc. with whom this Embassy typically does business in Oman are not/not known to comply with ALB or other international boycotts.

-- Boycott laws are not in force in Oman. Government decisions terminated implementation of the secondary and tertiary (1994) and the primary (1996) aspects of the ALB.

-- Oman does not maintain an Arab League Boycott Office. Moreover, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has ordered Omani government personnel to avoid any and all contacts with such offices in whichever countries they may exist.

-- The government of Oman does take steps to correct instances of attempted boycott enforcement. There have been rare instances where government or parastatal procurement offices have used contracts with outdated boycott references in which a U.S. company has been asked to certify compliance with Omani regulations concerning boycotts. As no boycott regulations exist, such legacy language is meaningless. Nevertheless, in every instance that such legacy boycott language has been brought to the attention of the Omani government, the government has acted swiftly in ordering the office in question to remove any and all references o a boycott Oman ceased to honor more than a decade ago.

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